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FINGERPRINT IMAGES BY A UNIFORM DEGREE OF
COMPRESSION

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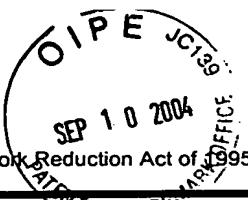
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